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ABSTRACT

This book provides an overview of leadership in grades 6-12. Drawing upon theories based on cognitive and affective leadership and the role of leadership in gifted education, it discusses leadership as it pertains to research projects, problem solving, interpersonal communication, and decision-making. The book offers strategies for curriculum planning and units for developing leadership. There are 10 chapters in two parts. Part 1, "Perspectives on Leadership," includes (1) "What is Leadership?"; (2) "Developing Gifted Leadership for the New Millennium; (3) "Using the Leadership Training Module as a Foundation for Curriculum Planning"; and (4) "Leadership Identification Scales." Part 2, "Academic Units," includes (5) "Dreams of Greatness"; (6) "Nursery 'Mines,' 'Me'sop Fables, and 'For Real' Tales" (language Arts; adaptable to all grades); (7) "The Art of Science" (science; grades 6-9); (8) "Talking Dogs, Singing Frogs, and Chocolate Cows: An Advertising Unit" (advertising; grades 6-10); (9) "From Babe Ruth to Breadlines: A Historical Perspective" (social studies; grades 9-12); and (10) "Shakin' Up Shakespeare: The Life and Times of a Great Playwright and Poet" (social studies and language arts; grades 6-12). Two appendixes present the NASA moon survival task and the "Leadership Training Model" unit outline. (SM)

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